

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**for**  
**EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**WESTERN DIVISION**

**U.S.A. vs. Richard Steven Keen**

**Docket No. 5:04-CR-204-1BO**

**Petition for Action on Supervised Release**

COMES NOW Scott Plaster, probation officer of the court, presenting a petition for modification of the Judgment and Commitment Order of Richard Steven Keen, who, upon an earlier plea of guilty to Possession of a Firearm by a Felon, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 922(g)(1) and 924, and Possession of Stolen Firearms, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 922(j) and 924, was sentenced by the Honorable Terrence W. Boyle, U.S. District Judge, on February 17, 2005, to the custody of the Bureau of Prisons for a term of 180 months. It was further ordered that upon release from imprisonment the defendant be placed on supervised release for 60 months under the standard conditions adopted by the court and the following additional conditions:

1. The defendant shall participate as directed in a program approved by the probation office for the treatment of narcotic addiction, drug dependency, or alcohol dependency which will include urinalysis testing or other drug detection measures and may require residence or participation in a residential treatment facility.
2. The defendant shall pay a special assessment of \$200.00.

On December 8, 2011, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255, and as a result of the decision in United States v. Simmons, the defendant's previously imposed sentence of imprisonment of 180 months was amended to time served. Additionally, the defendant's term of supervised release was amended from 60 months to 36 months.

Richard Steven Keen was released from custody on December 8, 2011, at which time the term of supervised release commenced.

**RESPECTFULLY PRESENTING PETITION FOR ACTION OF COURT FOR CAUSE AS FOLLOWS:** Since the defendant's release from imprisonment on December 8, 2011, he has had difficulty obtaining gainful employment due to his limited skills and qualifications. Mr. Keen has expressed an interest in receiving forklift operator training and certification in order to pursue employment in a warehouse environment, but he lacks the ability to pay for the necessary training. Mr. Keen has requested financial assistance in order to cover the cost of the training and certification. Funding is currently available through the Second Chance Act. Mr. Keen is in compliance with all of the terms and conditions of his supervised release at this time. As such, it is recommended that Mr. Keen's supervised release be modified to include participation in a vocational training program in order to hold him accountable for the financial assistance provided to him for forklift training or any additional assistance that might be provided to him. The defendant signed a Waiver of Hearing agreeing to the proposed modification of supervision.

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**PRAYING THAT THE COURT WILL ORDER** that supervised release be modified as follows:

1. The defendant shall participate in a vocational training program as directed by the probation office.

Except as herein modified, the judgment shall remain in full force and effect.

Reviewed and approved,

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

/s/Jeffrey L. Keller

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/s/Scott Plaster

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**ORDER OF COURT**

Considered and ordered this 8 day of March, 2012, and ordered filed and made a part of the records in the above case.

Terrence Boyle  
Terrence W. Boyle  
U.S. District Judge